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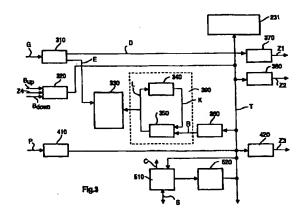
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(54)Method and apparatus for fine motion estimation in digital video pictures

The invention relates to a method for fine (57)motion estimation in digital video signals. The vector search procedure is based on reconstructed YChCr pixel data received via a data bus (Z4) from the encoder prediction loop.

It is also proposed an architecture for an apparatus for fine motion estimation of digital video signals. In this architecture a feedback loop (390) for the block matching array (330) is included, which allows multiple use of the same data for the vector search procedure without accessing an external memory device (231) several times.





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